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RUNWAY VISUAL RANGE SYSTEM SPECIFICATION

PART 1 - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1-1. SCOPE AND CLASSIFICATION

1-1.1 Scope. - This specification covers the requirements for a complete Runway Visual Range (RVR) system with a capability of meeting Categories I, II, IIIa, and IIIb levels of flight operations. The system may include but not be limited to the following: a visibility sensor (VS), data processing unit (DPU), ambient light sensor (ALS), runway light intensity monitor (RLIM), remote display (RD), central maintenance terminal/recorder (CMT/R), central processing unit (CPU), remote data collection Interface (RDCI), printer and remote monitoring subsystem (RMS).

1-1.2 Classification. - The RVR system covered by this specification may include but not be limited to the following types of visibility sensors.

- Type I** Transmissometers that are designed to measure and give a continuous indication of the transmissivity of the atmosphere over a selected line of sight.
- Type II** Instruments that measure scattered light within a limited volume of space and that are representative of, and can be correlated to, the transmissivity of the atmosphere over a selected line of sight.
- Type III** Systems which are based on principles other than those described above.

1-1.3 Definitions.

1-1.3.1 U.S. definition of RVR.- The RVR has been defined as "a value normally determined by instruments located alongside and about 14 feet higher than the centerline of the runway and calibrated with reference to the sighting of high intensity runway lights or the visual contrast of other targets, whichever yields the greater visual range."

1-1.3.1.1 RVR equations.- RVR sensors may not actually measure runway visual range. Instead, they may measure either the fraction of luminous flux (t_b) that remains in a beam of light, after it has travelled a distance (b), or, alternatively, the fraction of luminous flux scattered out of the beam expressed in terms of extinction coefficient (σ). Standardized equations, based on human observations, are then used to calculate the visual range of lights or contrast markings. These equations include:

$$E_T = \frac{I T^R}{R^2}, \quad E_T = \frac{I t_b^{R/b}}{R^2}, \quad \text{where, } T = t_b^{1/b}$$

Alternatively

(RVR of Lights)

$$E_T = \frac{I e^{-U \cdot R}}{R^2}$$

And

$$\epsilon = T^R$$

Alternatively

(RVR of Contrast Markings)

$$\epsilon = e^{-\sigma R}$$

Where E_T = Visual threshold of illumination

I = Intensity of runway lights (luminous intensity)

T = **Transmissivity** of the atmosphere

t_b = Transmittance of the atmosphere over distance b
(**Transmissometer** baseline)

R = Visual range

b = **Transmissometer** baseline

ϵ = Visual contrast threshold ratio

σ = Extinction coefficient

1-1.3.2 Category of operation.- All-weather instrument approach operations are divided into categories corresponding to different standards of instrumentation in the aircraft and on the ground. For each category, there is a minimum value of specified runway visual range below which operations are not permitted. The following table identifies the categories and LOWEST minima associated with each:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Visibility (RVR)</u>
Nonprecision	2,400 feet
Category I	1,800 feet
Category II	1,200 feet
Category IIIa	700 feet
Category IIIb	150 feet
Category IIIc	0

1-1.3.3 Luminous flux.- The time rate of flow of light (lumens)

1-1.3.4 Illumination.- The luminous flux incident on unit area of a surface (e.g. lumens per square meter, i.e. flux)

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ϵ = Visual contrast threshold ratio

σ = Extinction coefficient

1-1.3.2 Category of operation.- All-weather instrument approach operations are divided into categories corresponding to different standards of instrumentation in the aircraft and on the ground. For each category, there is a minimum value of specified runway visual range below which operations are not permitted. The following table identifies the categories and LOWEST minima associated with each:

<u>Category</u>	<u>Visibility (RVR)</u>
Nonprecision	2,400 feet
Category I	1,800 feet
Category II	1,200 feet
Category IIIa	700 feet
Category IIIb	150 feet
Category IIIc	0

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1-2.1.3 Military specification and standards,

MIL-E-17555G	Electronic and Electrical Equipment and Associated Repair Parts; Preparation and Delivery of
MIL-STD-454	Standard General Requirements for Electronic Equipment
MIL-STD-461/ 462	Electromagnetic Interference Characteristics
MIL-STD-470	Maintainability Program Requirements for Systems and Equipment
MIL-STD-471	Maintainability Demonstration
MIL-STD-483	Configuration Management Practices for Systems, Equipment, Munitions, and Computer Programs
MIL-STD-781b	Reliability Test Exponential Distribution
MIL-STD-785b	Reliability Program for Systems and Equipment
MIL-STD-810c	Environmental Test Methods
MIL-STD-1521	Technical Reviews and Audits for Systems, Equipment, and Computer Programs
MIL-STD-2068	Reliability Development Tests

1-2.1.4 Military publications.-

MIL-HDBK-217	Reliability Stress and Failure Rate Data for Electronic Equipment
MIL-HDBK-472	Maintainability Predictions
MIL-I-45208A	Inspection System Requirements

1-2.1.5 Other publications.- The following FAA, National Fire Protection Association, and American National Standards Institute documents form a part of this specification and are applicable to the extent specified herein.

NAS-MD-790	Interface Control Document for the Remote Maintenance Monitoring System (RMMS) (Level I ICD)
NAS-MD-791	Guidelines for the Development of Level II Interface Control Documents for Remote Maintenance Monitoring System (RMMS)
NAS-MD-792	Operational Requirements for the Remote Maintanance Monitoring System (RMMS) .
Order AF 6000.10	Airway Facilities Service Maintenance Program
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NFPA-78	National Electrical Code
ANSI X3.4	Code for Information Interchange (ASCII)
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1-3.2.1.3 Report values.- The RVR system report values and breakpoints shall be as, follows:

Reporting Value (feet)	Breakpoint (feet)	Reporting Value (feet)	Breakpoint (feet)
100	150	2000	2100
200	250	2200	2300
300	350	2400	2500
400	450	2600	2700
500	550	2800	2900
600	650	3000	3250
700	750	3500	3750
800	900	4000	4250
1000	1100	4500	4750
1200	1300	5000	5250
1400	1500	5500	5750
1600	1700	6000	6250
1800	1900	6000 +	

1-3.2.1.4 System accuracy.- Errors from all sources (including calibration stability errors) shall cause the RVR system to have an accuracy of not greater than ± 10 percent of the RVR value (**root-mean-square** equivalent). By "root-mean-square equivalent" is meant the equivalent **90-percent** confidence level of a normal error distribution having a standard deviation of 10 percent. The 90 percent confidence level corresponds to 1.65 times the standard deviation or a 16.5 percent error. Thus the calculated RVR value must agree with a standard measurement to within 16.5 percent accuracy at least 90 percent of the time. It must also agree to within a factor of two 99 percent of the time. The system stability in a 90 day interval shall not cause an RVR system error of more than 10 percent for the most sensitive reporting value.

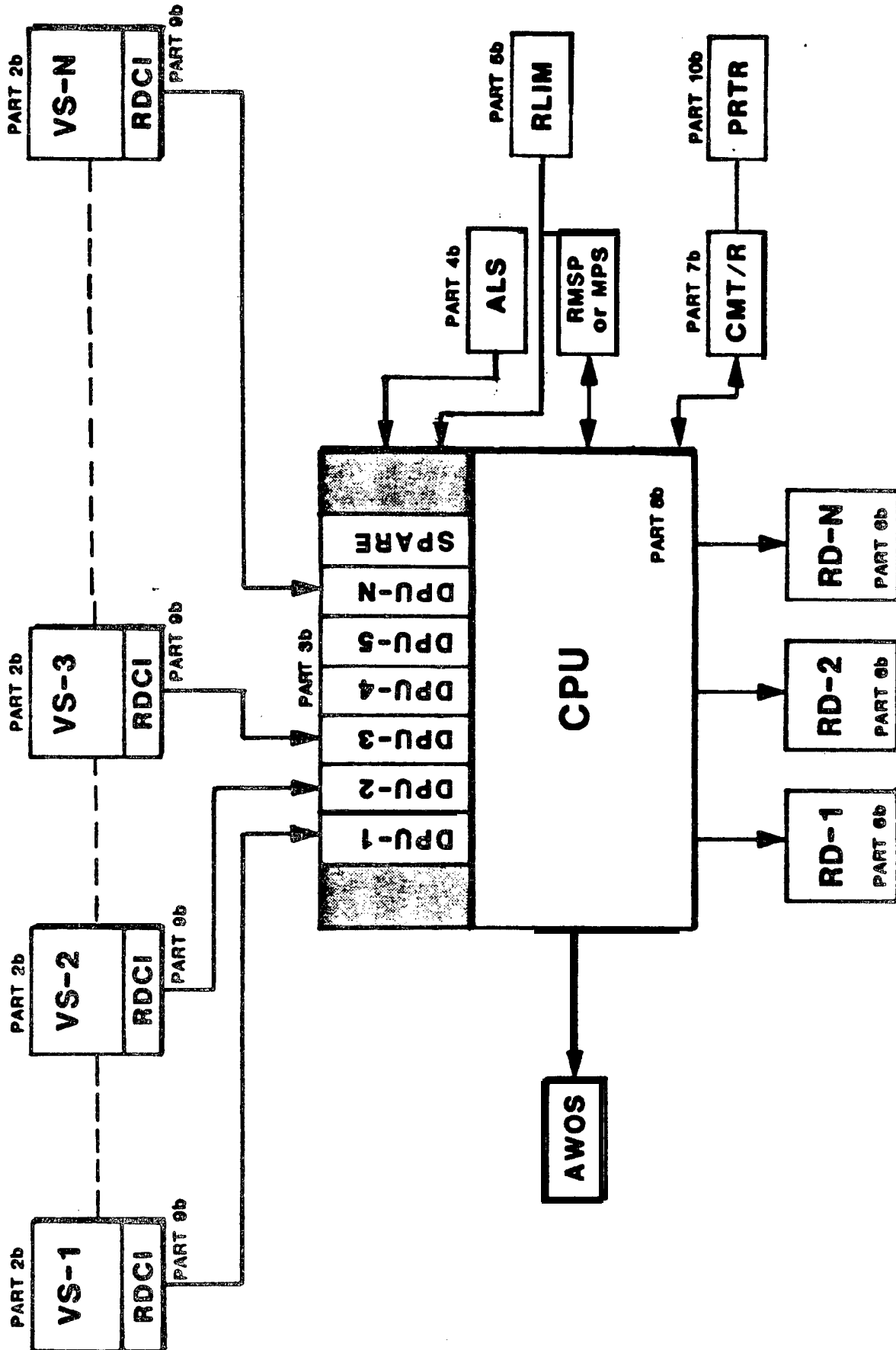


Figure 1-1 RVR SYSTEM CONCEPT

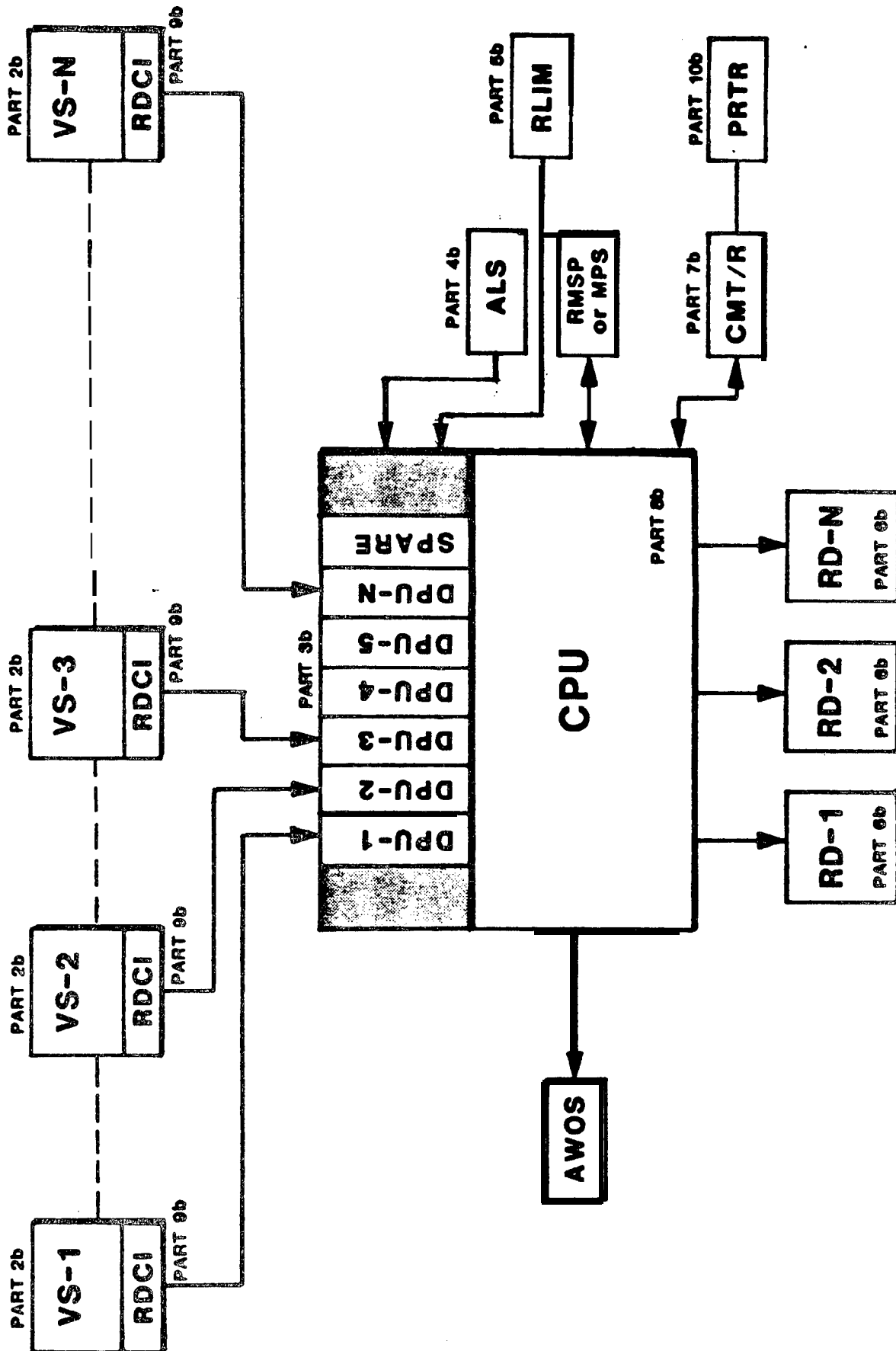


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1-3.2.2 Physical characteristics.- The equipment shall reflect the optimum in simplicity, reliability, maintainability, energy efficiency, weight, and ease of installation that is consistent with maximum safety to personnel while installing, operating, and maintaining the equipment.

1-3.2.2.1 System concept.- The RVR system concept is shown in Figure 1-1 on page 1-9a.

1-3.2.2.2 System configuration.- The RVR system shall be capable of many different configurations. The following lists the minimum, standard, and maximum configurations:

<u>RVR Subsystems</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
VS with RDCI	1 each	3 each	12 each
ALS	1	1	1
RLIM	1	1	4
DPU	2	4	12
CPU*	1	1	1
CMT/R	1	1	1
RD -	3	5 to 9	15
Printer	1	1	1
RMS	1	1	1

* NOTE: All the CPUs for any system configuration shall accept 4 DPU's and shall be expandable up to the maximum system configuration of 12 DPU's.

1-3.2.3 Power and environmental characteristics.- The following power and environmental requirements shall apply.

1-3.2.3.1 Power source.- The RVR system shall operate in accordance with specifications contained herein from a single-phase two-wire AC line power source. The design center voltage shall be 120 volts, 60Hz in accordance with FAA-G-2100c, paragraph 3.2.10. The equipment shall operate within specifications for any combination of line frequency and line voltage in the range 102-138 V, 57-63 Hz.

1-3.2.3.2 Environmental conditions.- The subsystems shall be designed to operate under the following ambient environmental conditions in accordance with FAA-G-2100c, paragraph 3.2.15:

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1-3.2.5 System calibration.- The contractor shall include a procedure within his documentation and test plan that will result in the recalibration of the system after installation in the field. This calibration procedure shall result in the determination that all elements of the system are functioning properly, and within accuracy tolerances. A method of calibration traceable to an FAA **transmissometer** standard must be provided. A minimum of three calibration points must be checked; zero signal, midrange signal, and maximum signal.

1-3.3 Design and construction.- The RVR system shall be designed and constructed to operate continuously and unattended with high **reliability**. It shall be modular in design.

1-3.3.1 Modularity.- The components and assemblies of the RVR system shall be separated into physically and functionally distinct groups or entities. The interface must be standardized such that a unit may be replaced without requiring **rescaling** or recalibration.

1-3.3.1.1 Modularity and configuration flexibility.- The concept of modularity permits the RVR system to be deployed in a variety of configurations to meet unique site-specific requirements, usually by adding or substituting sensors, output devices, or output circuitry.

The modular nature of the system shall allow for its ready adaptation of different requirements from a one sensor system at a small airport, a three sensor system for airports with a fully instrumented runway through a major hub requiring up to 12 sensors to instrument its runways.

1-3.3.1.2 Modularity and expansion.- Modular design techniques provide for future expansion capabilities. The CPU shall be capable of being expanded to accept up to 12 DPUs.

1-3.3.1.3 Modularity and maintainability.- A modular RVR system facilitates fault isolation, as well as faulty component removal and replacement, thus providing the simplicity **that** results in lower maintenance costs through a need for lower maintenance personnel skill levels, reduced training of maintenance personnel, and a smaller number of replaceable items.

1-3.3.2 Design for maintainability.- Maintainability and repair philosophies shall be in accordance with FAA Order **AF 6000.10**, "Airway Facilities Service Maintenance Program" dated **6/3/82**, and the following:

- (a) The sensors shall be designed and constructed for module **onsite** replacement maintenance.

- (b) All electronic and mechanical equipment and components shall be designed and constructed for module **onsite** replacement maintenance. The maintenance philosophy shall be removal and replacement of failed sensors or sensor subassemblies and removal and replacement of failed modules in the remainder of the system. Actual repair of the failed item (module, sensor, etc.) is to be accomplished later in a separate maintenance area.
- (c) The DPU, ALS, RLIM, RD, CMT/R, CPU, and RDCI shall contain functional modules or printed circuit assemblies to facilitate rapid replacement.
- (d) The use of captive and rapid-action type fasteners shall be employed throughout the equipment design and standardized to facilitate rapid interchange of failed items in accordance with **FAA-G-2100**, paragraph 3.5.10.
- (e) Each assembly shall be removable from the cabinets without requiring the partial or complete removal of any other subassembly.

1-3.3.3 Hardware requirements.

1-3.3.3.1 General.- The CPU shall be designed to fit a standard equipment rack. Rack-mounted units shall be provided with slides, to permit withdrawal for servicing; and where components or test points are only accessible from the bottom, a suitable tilt or hinge arrangement shall be provided to permit accessibility in accordance with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraphs 3.3.1.1 and 3.3.3.3. The hardware shall be designed so that all alignments, adjustments, and maintenance can be performed by only one technician. All cables and wires, harnessed or single, shall be protected against chaffing; and such protection shall be independent of the individual wire or cable insulation jacket.

1-3.3.3.2 Solid-state design.- All electronic devices (except **displays**) shall be semiconductor or microelectronic devices in **accordance** with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraph 3.5.20. Digital circuit designs shall be used in preference to analog designs. Each assembly or subassembly shall provide a complete circuit function(s) with readily accessible test points. Care shall be exercised to assure that the circuits are reliable and utilize the best heat transfer techniques available.

1-3.3.3.3 Printed circuit boards.- All printed circuit boards and circuit card assemblies used shall be of the plug-in card type in accordance with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraph 3.5.23 and shall be identified and keyed to prevent incorrect insertion. One printed circuit

board/card extender of each type and size used at a location shall be furnished with each complete set of equipment. One extender cable for each type of module used shall also be furnished with each complete set of equipment.

1-3.3.3.4 Power indicators and circuit breakers.- Circuit breakers used shall be placed in a convenient serviceable location in accordance with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraph 3.5.12. Indicator lamps shall be provided on the front of each cabinet to display power on/off condition in accordance with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraph 3.5.17.

1-3.3.3.5 System grounding.- A common system grounding design criterion shall be used for each subsystem. The Root-Mean-Square leakage current resulting from electrical line filters connected from phase to ground shall be limited to one milliamperes per phase for each nonisolated input to the equipment. The grounding system design must ensure the safety of maintenance personnel when operating or testing the system, and the design must be compatible with other equipment which interfaces with this system. All surfaces of items on the front of panels shall be at chassis-ground potential. The grounding design shall be in accordance with **FAA-STD-020**, paragraph 4 and 5. The power ground **will** be available at each AC power distribution point provided in the equipment area. There shall be no degradation of signals between equipment due to cross-coupling through the ground system. Optical isolation shall be used with all digital interfaces between separated subsystems.

1-3.3.3.5.1 Lightning Protection Requirements.- All equipment and structures designed for exterior installation shall be protected against lightning strikes in accordance with **NFPA-78** and as specified herein. Protection shall include air terminals, roof or platform conductors, mechanical protection for down conductors, ground rods, main size counterpoise cable, and all attachments, mounting, and bonding hardware.

1-3.3.3.5.1.1 Materials.- All materials shall be **UL** Listed and approved for the purpose. Air terminals shall have blunt points. All below grade connections shall be **Cadweld, Thermoweld**, or equivalent. Ground rods shall be copper clad steel, 10 feet long, 3/4 inch diameter, and sectionalized for extension. Aluminum materials shall not be provided unless specifically approved. Conductors above and below grade level shall be protected in Schedule 80 PVC pipe.

1-3.3.3.5.1.2 Design.- Lightning protection designs for equipment and structures shall be submitted for Government review and approval. Design changes required by the Government shall be incorporated.

1-3.3.3.6 Conducted and radiated interference.- The equipment specified herein shall be designed to operate in a complex electromagnetic environment without degradation due to interference

from other equipment and without degrading the **operation of other** equipment.

1-3.3.3.6.1 Interference control design.- The requirements given by other paragraphs in the specification and covering the subjects of lightning protection; transient and surge protection; and grounding, bonding, and shielding requirements are a part of or directly related to interference control design and shall be incorporated by the Contractor. In addition, the Contractor shall incorporate filtering, suppression, compartmentalization, segregation, isolation, grounding, bonding, shielding, and state-of-the-art circuit and equipment design.

1-3.3.3.6.2 Interference control program.- The Contractor's Interference Control Program shall be in accordance with **MIL-STD-461** and **MIL-STD-462**, including revisions and notices in effect at the time of Contract Award.

1-3.3.3.6.3 Testing.- All systems, subsystems, equipment and end items shall meet the test requirements and limits of **MIL-STD-461** and **MIL-STD-462**. Testing shall be performed by the Contractor using approved test plans and procedures.

1-3.3.3.6.4 Documentation.- The Contractor shall prepare and submit **EMI** Control Program Plans, **EMI** Test Plans, Test Procedures, and Test Reports for compliance with **MIL-STD-461** and **MIL-STD-462**. Revisions or changes requested by the Government shall be incorporated.

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1-3.3.3.9 Safety.-, To promote maximum safety of both operating and maintenance personnel, the precautions outlined in Requirement 1 of **MIL-STD-454** shall be adhered to in the area of system design and construction.

1-3.3.3.10 Human engineering.- Human engineering design criteria and principles shall be applied in the design to achieve safe, reliable, and effective performance by operator and maintenance personnel and to minimize personnel skill and training time in accordance with **FAA-G-2100c**, paragraph 3.3.1.6.

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1-3.5.2 Submission.

- (a) Manuals - Manuals shall be submitted in accordance with **FAA-D-2494/1a.**
- (b) Plans - Plans shall be submitted in accordance with instructions in part 1 of this specification.

1-3.5.3 Documentation required.- The documents shall be prepared in accordance with the requirements established in **FAA-D-2494/1a.** One reproducible (camera ready) copy of each document shall be provided in accordance with **FAA-D-2494/2a.**

1-3.5.3.1 Operations manuals.- The operating instructions shall contain a complete, step-by-step description of all operating procedures. These **procedures** shall be in sufficient detail to provide an operator (who has no formal RVR training) with the expertise necessary to perform each operational function.

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- (g) Software Support Data Manual - Additional text and illustrations shall be provided as necessary to provide a complete and comprehensive understanding of the equipment software. Logic and timing functions **shall** be fully illustrated and described. Interface with other computer systems shall be described in detail.

1.3.5.3.6 Quality assurance plan.- The quality assurance plan shall be prepared in accordance with **FAA-STD-013A** and submitted to the Government as specified in the contract. See 1-4. of this specification.

1-3.5.3.7 Reliability program plan.- The reliability program plan shall be prepared in accordance with **MIL-STD-785B** and submitted to the Government as specified in the contract. See 1-3.7 and 1-4. of this specification.

1-3.5.3.8 Maintainability program plan.- The maintainability program plan shall be prepared in accordance with **MIL-STD-470** and submitted to the Government as specified in the contract. Each maintenance task shall contain the maintenance man-hours estimated to complete that task. See 1-3.7 and 1-4. of this specification.

1-3.5.3.9 Test plan.- The overall system test plan shall be prepared by the contractor and submitted to the Government for approval as specified in the contract. The Government reserves the right to require any additional testing determined necessary.

1-3.6 Interchangeability.- Components of the RVR system shall be **interchangeable**. An interchangeable item is one which possesses such functional and physical characteristics as to be equivalent in performance, reliability, and maintainability to another item of similar or identical purposes and is capable of being exchanged for the other item without selection for fit or performance and without alteration of the items themselves or of adjoining items.

1-3.7 Reliability/maintainability.

1-3.7.1 General.- This section of the specification covers the general reliability and maintainability (R&M) program and testing requirements. Program requirements include applicable paragraphs of **MIL-STD-785B** and **MIL-STD-470** and **MIL-STD-2068(AS)**. Testing requirements include the application of tests necessary to assure acceptable levels of system R&M.

1-3.7.1.1 Definitions applicable to reliability and maintainability.- The following terms have specific meanings in the context of reliability and maintainability.

- (a) Diagnostics - Test features, which are an integral part of the system, used to detect failed lowest replaceable units within the system.
- (b) Inherent availability - Inherent availability is the probability of the system operating as specified at any instant in time over its service life. Inherent availability, A, shall be calculated as follows:

$$A = \frac{MTBF}{MTBF + MDT}$$

- (c) Failure - Failure is the inability of any part, assembly, or subassembly to perform the functions for which it was designed within its specified design limits.
- (d) Relevant failures - All failures are relevant until demonstrated by the contractor to be nonrelevant to the satisfaction of the Government.
- (e) Mean time between failures (MTBF) - MTBF is equal to the total operating hours of the equipment divided by the number of failures.
- (f) Mean Down Time (MDT) - The average out of service time for a given period of the system's service life. This time includes all system repair time and downtime required for preventive maintenance.
- (g) Reliability - The probability that an item will actually perform its intended function for a specified interval under stated conditions.
- (h) Predicted reliability - The reliability of an equipment mathematically computed from its design' considerations and from the reliability of its parts in the intended use.
- (i) Mean Bench Repair Time (MBRT) - MBRT is the average length of time to repair an LRU. This time includes failed component isolation time, component replacement time, and time required to verify the LRU is operational.
- (j) Lowest Replaceable Unit (LRU) - An LRU is a unit (component, element, module, etc.), that must be replaced to restore a failed system or system function.
- (k) Repair time - The time required to isolate and replace the failed item and verify proper operation of the system, subsystem, assembly or subassembly.

- (a) Diagnostics - Test features, which are an integral part of the system, used to detect failed lowest replaceable units within the system.
- (b) Inherent availability - Inherent availability is the probability of the system operating as specified at any instant in time over its service life. Inherent availability, A, shall be calculated as follows:

$$A = \frac{MTBF}{MTBF + MDT}$$

- (c) Failure - Failure is the inability of any part, assembly, or subassembly to perform the functions for which it was designed within its specified design limits.
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1-3.7.2.4 System diagnostics.- Systems diagnostics procedures shall be developed that are capable of identifying 85 percent of the system failures.

1-3.7.3 Reliability program.

1-3.7.3.1 Reliability program plan.- The contractor shall prepare and submit within the technical proposal a reliability program plan. The reliability program plan shall delineate how the requirements in 1-3.7.2 (MTBF) will be met. The plan shall be based on MIL-STD-785B (Task 101) and this specification. The program plan shall be updated and submitted for approval after the award of the contract.

1-3.7.3.2 Program review.- The provisions of MIL-STD-785B (Task 103) apply. Major reliability program checkpoints or milestones on both activities and results (as they become available) shall be defined and integrated into overall system program control procedures. The contractor shall establish formal program reviews, to include the preliminary and final design reviews for the Government. The reliability program reviews shall be conducted wherever possible in conjunction with other planned reviews. The Contracting Officer shall be notified at least 15 working days prior to each contractually scheduled formal reliability program review to permit participation by the Contracting Officer. The minutes of these formal reliability program reviews shall be provided to the Contracting Officer.

1-3.7.3.3 Production degradation control.- A comprehensive program shall be instituted to prevent degradation of reliability during production in accordance with MIL-STD-785B (Task 304).

1-3.7.3.4 Failure reporting, analysis, corrective action systems (FRACAS) and data collection.- The contractor shall establish and implement a closed-loop procedure in accordance with MIL-STD-785B (Task 104) to: (1) collect data on failures occurring during all phases of his effort, including incoming part inspections, component engineering and debugging, production screening or bum-in tests, and reliability acceptance tests; (2) statistically analyze the data to identify reliability problems and to assess the progress made in meeting reliability requirements; (3) perform engineering analyses of failed parts to ascertain the causes of the failures; (4) implement appropriate corrective action to preclude the recurrence of failures experienced; (5) perform follow-on audits as necessary to assure adequacy of corrective action. All data shall be available for Contracting Officer inspection. When major components of the system become available, the contractor shall implement a failure data collection system. The failure data collection system shall be approved by the Contracting Officer. As the system nears the operational inventory phase, transition to **inservice** failure reporting can be accomplished with minimum disturbance and maximum continuity of data,

1-3.7.3.5 Failure summaries.- Monthly summaries of failures shall be submitted to the Contracting Officer during all phases of testing (MIL-STD-785B, Task 104). They shall include: identification of each failure analysis report, equipment failure modes and cause of failure, corrective action recommended, status of corrective action implementation, and relevancy related to reliability demonstration test failures. The summaries shall be reported with an analysis showing trends, patterns, etc., that can be discerned.

1-3.7.3.6 Production reliability test plan.- Production reliability testing (MIL-STD-785B, Task 302) shall include the tests specified in this specification. A preliminary test plan shall be submitted with the technical proposal and a final plan submitted for Government approval prior to start of testing. The final plan shall be prepared in accordance with this specification and shall include the following information as a minimum for each test:

- (a) Summary description of how the test is to be performed, including operating modes.
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- (d) Criteria for test failures or success.
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- (h) Plans for test results documentation.
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1-3.7.4 Maintainability program.- The contractor shall provide and maintain a maintainability program that will demonstrate the maintainability objectives (MTTR, 1-3.7.2) of this specification. The maintainability program plan will be submitted to the Government after contract award. The maintainability program will use information developed under the reliability program (e.g., program review, FRACAS, failure summaries, etc.) to assist in documentation of maintainability. In addition, maintainability tests on the RVR system (and each subsystem) shall be accomplished in accordance with this specification.

1-3.7.5 Design reviews.- The reliability and maintainability programs shall be periodically reviewed during the life of the contract to identify problems which limit the reliability and maintainability of the RVR system (MIL-STD-785B, Task 203). The contractor shall accomplish all changes in equipment design that are necessary to satisfy

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relays, plug-in crystals, ferrule-type resistors, air filters, and any other parts which are used in the equipment and which are similarly designed for quick removal and replacement.

1-3.8.4 Derating of electronic parts and materials.- Derating of electronic parts and materials shall be in accordance with MIL-STD-454, Requirement 18.

1-3.9 Finishes.- Metal surfaces shall be given a protective finish as specified in the following subparagraphs and in accordance with FAA-G-2100c, paragraph 3.7.7.

1-3.9.1 Front surfaces of exterior metallic surfaces.- The front face and edges of exterior front panels and panel doors, and the exterior surfaces of equipment cabinets, portable cabinets, and all other final metallic enclosures, including the doors thereof and exterior trim strips, shall be finished by applying one or more uniform spray coats of a baking primer, followed by application of one or more uniform spray coats of a hard lusterless alkyd baking enamel in accordance with FAA-G-2100c, paragraph 3.7.7.1.

1-3.9.2- Back surfaces of exterior.- Exterior front panels and panel doors finished as specified in 1-3.9.1 above shall have their back surfaces finished in one of the following ways: same as front surface, with a baked primer (only) which is the same color as the front surface, or as specified in 1-3.9.3 below for interior aluminum surfaces.

1-3.9.3 Interior aluminum surfaces.- The chassis, interior panels, and other interior surfaces of aluminum and aluminum alloy (except castings) shall be thoroughly cleaned by an alkaline dip, or equivalent process, so as to produce an etched surface. After etching, an additional treatment which will protect the surface from finger-marks shall be applied.

1-3.9.4 Other interior metal surfaces.- All interior metal surfaces of the equipment structure (other than stainless steel and monel) not covered under the above paragraphs shall be protected by a durable coating of enamel or by a protective electroplating. Interior aluminum and aluminum alloy castings may be finished as specified in 1-3.9.3 above or this paragraph or may be left unfinished.

1-3.9.5 Plated finishes.- Where electroplating is employed as a finish, it shall be equal to the best commercial grade, using plating thickness adequate for protection of the parts under conditions of their use in service. Flash **platings**, **platings** with base metals or **underplatings** showing through, or **platings** which are pitted or give evidence of flaking or peeling are not acceptable.

1-3.9.5.1 Cadmium plating.- Cadmium plating shall not be used if it is in direct contact with, or located in confined spaces adjacent to, waxes, **phenolics**, or other organic materials which will react with the cadmium to cause "growth" or the formation of cadmium soaps.

1-3.9.5.2 RF conductivity **platings**.- Where required because of considerations of conductivity, silver, gold, or rhodium electroplating may be used. If silver plating is used, the plating process shall be such as to insure a minimum thickness of **0.0005** inch. In addition and except as noted below, the silver plating shall be given a clear chromate conversion coating for solderability and tarnish resistance. The chromate conversion coating shall be omitted on silver-plated surfaces where contact requirements are such that an increase of **15** percent in surface contact resistance cannot be tolerated.

1-3.10 Ventilation and cooling.- Forced ventilation systems shall not be used, unless otherwise approved by the Contracting Officer.

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1-3.12 Marking.- Marking shall be as specified in the following subparagraphs and in accordance with **FAA-G-2100C**, paragraph **3.8** and paragraph **3.9**.

1-3.12.1 Permanency and **legibility**.- All markings shall be permanent and legible.

1-3.12.2 Visibility of parts **labels**.- All parts which have labels or markings carrying identifying data or ratings should be mounted so that the data are visible to maintenance personnel without the necessity for disassembly of the part or adjacent functional or structural parts. This requirement shall be mandatory whenever it can be applied by the contractor without purchasing **made-** to-order parts with special markings and where it can be applied without preventing the use of normally compact assemblies of parts on chassis, such as side-by-side mounting of metalcased capacitors or other normal methods of assembly.

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1-3.12.12 Nonelectrical parts.- The reference designation for each nonelectrical part, except screws, nuts, washers, bushings, pipe fittings, and similar small hardware, shall be marked on the chassis, frame, panel, etc., immediately adjacent to the part; but if space is not available, the reference designation shall be marked on the part itself.

1-3.12.13 Panel markings.- The visible surface adjacent to panel facilities such as connectors, controls, indicators, jacks, keys, switches, and fuse holders shall be marked with a suitable word, phrase, or abbreviation, indicating the use or purpose of the part. These markings shall be legible so that the function of the panel facility can be identified by the operator. Continuously variable operating controls shall be provided with markings that permit the operator to set the control to a predetermined point. Markings on the fronts of panels and panel doors (other than equipment nameplates, **1-3.13)** shall be made in accordance with one of the following subparagraphs.

1-3.12.13.1 Individual designation plates.- One of the following types shall be used (thicknesses shown are minimum acceptable values):

- (a) **0.03-inch** aluminum (overall water-dip lacquer on finished plate) or **0.03-inch** nickel silver; reverse-etched, raised characters with dull metal finish; depressed background finished in black enamel.
- (b) **0.02-inch** photosensitive anodized aluminum processed for white metal characters with jet black background; photosensitive silver compounds shall be **imbedded** within the oxide layer; and image shall be sealed in the oxide layer by chemical treatment.
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1-3.12.15.2 Location of stamping.- The stamping shall be located on the back of the front panel door, unless the required space is not available, in which case the stamping shall be located on the rear vertical surface of the chassis. If space is not available in either location or where construction differs from that described above, the contractor shall obtain Government approval of the proposed location before stamping the equipment.

1-3.13 Nameplates.

1-3.13.1 Nameplates required.- Each equipment furnished shall have one or more nameplates as determined by the equipment configuration. Each nameplate shall be in accordance with **FAA-G-2100**, paragraph **3.10**.

1-3.13.2 Contractor's nameplate drawing.- Before manufacturing the nameplate, the contractor shall submit his detailed manufacturing drawing of the nameplate to the Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C. 20590, Attention: Contracting Officer, for checking of entries and other requirements. The drawing shall be in complete detail showing all entries, except that the equipment type designation, if not known to the contractor, may be omitted. In such case, the type designation will be assigned when the checked drawing is returned to the contractor.

1-3.13.3 Serial numbers.- Serial numbers shall start with "1" for each equipment unit having an individual nameplate and continue consecutively up to the total number of such equipment units on the contract.

1-4. QUALITY ASSURANCE PROVISIONS

1-4.1 Quality control provisions.- The contractor shall establish and maintain a quality control program in total compliance with **FAA-STD-013**.

1-4.1.1 Government inspections.- All tests and inspections made by the contractor shall be subject to Government inspection. The term "Government inspection," as used in this specification, means that an FAA representative will witness the contractor's testing and inspection, and will carry out such visual and other inspections as deemed necessary to assure compliance with contract requirements. Tests shall be conducted at the contractor's plant or test facility and at the contractor's expense. All test facilities, instrumentation, connection, and personnel necessary to conduct the tests required by this specification shall be furnished by the contractor.

1-4.1.2 Copies of test documentation.- For all tests required by applicable specifications, four copies of the proposed list of tests, test procedures, and blank test data forms shall be furnished to the Government as follows:

Three copies to the Contracting Officer or his designated technical representative and one copy to the resident FAA Quality and Reliability Officer if assigned, otherwise forwarded to the Federal Aviation Administration Contracting Officer or his designated technical representative,

Copies shall be furnished in advance of the contractor's scheduled date for testing to allow the Government time for review and evaluation. One copy will be returned to the **contractor**, either with a statement that the proposed methods and forms are approved by the Government for use or with a statement pointing out deficiencies to the proposed methods and forms. In the event of the latter, the contractor shall resubmit his revised methods and forms. The approved forms shall be used for preparation of the test data sheets for the testing of all products on the contract.

1-4.1.3 Government right to waive inspection.- The Government reserves the right to waive Government inspection. If Government inspection is waived, the contractor shall nevertheless perform all of the required tests utilizing the Government-approved test procedures and furnish certified test data recorded on the approved forms. The test data must substantiate that the product meets contract requirements and shall include the statement, "This certifies that this product fully meets all technical requirements of the contractor." It shall be dated and signed by a responsible contractor official. Copies of certified test data shall be furnished as specified in **FAA-STD-013**. Shipment shall not be made until the contractor receives written Government approval of the data.

1-4.2 Contractor's detailed test plan.- The contractor shall develop the test procedures he proposes to conduct as a means of proving compliance with the requirements of this specification. These tests shall identify all detailed procedures to be performed and shall be submitted to the Government for formal review and approval. All test procedures shall reference the specific specification paragraph number being demonstrated. The tests proposed by the contractor shall include the tests of **1-4.4**. The plan shall include, but is not limited to, the following information in the following sequence, for each test:

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1-4.2.1.4 Inspection after each test.- At the completion of each test, the equipment shall be examined for indications of damage or deterioration to assure specification compliance.

1-4.3 Validation and demonstration of quality requirements.- The procedure to be followed by the contractor in validating and demonstrating that the RVR system meets the requirements of this specification consists of four phases:

Phase I - Prebid sensor validation.

Phase II - Reliability verification.

Phase III - Preproduction testing.

Phase IV - Production testing.

1-4.3.1 Phase I. Prefabrication sensor validation.- The sensors included in the RVR system submitted in formal response to this offering shall have been sufficiently tested to demonstrate their ability to meet the performance set forth in this specification. Other factors, such as reliability, can be presented based on other than empirical documentation. As a minimum, these tests shall be the same as (or be equivalent to) the tests outlined in this specification for each sensor and shall have been accomplished by the contractor or the sensor vendor. These tests shall be fully documented and shall provide justification that the sensor meets the accuracy and reliability requirements of this specification within the stated environmental conditions.

1-4.3.2 Phase II. Reliability verification.- After contract award, the contractor shall verify, through a series of verification reviews, that his overall system is in compliance with the reliability requirements of this specification. Mathematical modeling shall be used to predict system reliability.

1-4.3.2.1 Reliability modeling.- A reliability model (MIL-STD-785B, Task 201) based on system/subsystem functions shall be developed and maintained. As the design evolves, a reliability block diagram shall be developed and maintained for the system/subsystem with associated allocations and predictions for all items in each reliability block. The reliability block diagram shall be keyed and traceable to the functional block diagram, schematics, and drawings and shall provide the basis for accurate mathematical representation of the RVR system reliability. Nomenclature of items used in reliability block diagrams shall be consistent with that used in functional block diagrams, drawings, schematics, and specifications. The model outputs shall be expressed in terms of contractual reliability requirements and other reliability terms as specified. The reliability model shall be updated with information resulting from reliability and other relevant tests,

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1-4.3.3.3 Design changes or system modifications.- During the tests outlined above, any problems, failures, or other reasons for non-compliance with the provisions of this specification shall be the subject of immediate analysis. When this analysis determines the need for a design change, modification, or other "fix," the contractor shall be responsible for the retrofit of all systems produced, as well as incorporation of the change on all new production equipment.

1-4.3.3.4 Production approval.- The Government shall not approve full production of the RVR system until the tests outlined in this paragraph have satisfactorily demonstrated compliance with the functional, accuracy, reliability, maintainability, and other requirements of this specification.

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1-4.4 System testing.- Five classes of tests are required to complete the four phases in the validation and demonstration of quality requirements as follows:

- (a) Contractor's preliminary tests (1-4.4.1)
- (b) Design qualification (first article acceptance) tests (1-4.4.2)
- (c) Reliability and maintainability tests (1-4.4.3)
- (d) Production tests (1-4.4.4)
- (e) Type tests (1-4.4.5)

1-4.4.1 Contractor's preliminary tests.- Prior to the time the contractor notifies the Government that the initial production equipment is ready for inspection and to demonstrate readiness for inspection, he shall make one complete set of all preliminary tests required by this specification. These preliminary tests shall be made on the subsystem components of two prototype systems. The contractor's preliminary tests do not constitute any of the regular design

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- (b) Environmental tests. (Paragraph 1-4.4.2.2)
- (c) Power and electromagnetic tests. (Paragraph 1-4.4.2.3)
- (d) Functional and accuracy tests. (Paragraph 1-4.4.2.4)
- (e) Reliability tests. (Paragraph 1-4.4.3)
- (f) Maintainability demonstration. (Paragraph 1-4.4.3)

1-4.4.2.1 Production tests.— Each **RVR** system to be used in the design qualification tests shall first pass the production tests (1-4.4.4). In addition, each system shall be first visually inspected for:

- (a) Accessibility of components for maintenance (1-3.3.1.3, 1-3.3.2).
- (b) Any unsafe features (1-3.3.3.9).
- (c) Cable connectors, circuit boards, modules, sensors, etc., for specification design compliance (1-3.3.3).
- (d) Adequacy of maintenance test points (1-3.3.3.12).

1-4.4.2.2 Environmental testing.— The contractor shall develop the necessary tests (subject to Government approval) to assure that the **RVR** system complies with the performance requirements of this specification under the environmental conditions specified in 1-3.2.3.2 and parts 2 through 10. Some of these tests may be performed concurrently with other design qualifications tests. These tests shall be conducted in accordance with the test plan (1-4.2). This plan shall define the environmental test levels for each test (which may be different for various **RVR** subsystems), the **RVR** system state during each phase (operating or nonoperating), and **RVR** system inputs and expected outputs. Standard and special instrumentation shall be defined. The test plan shall define the failure criteria for the **test**. They shall include:

- (a) Inability of any item to perform its required function within the specified limits under stated conditions. Examples of this **type** of failure include drift, **intermittant** operation, lack of **response to Inputs**, output loss, etc.

- (b) Catastrophic failures due to a mechanical or structural failure resulting from any of the environmental tests.

1-4.4.2.3 Power, electromagnetic, and lightning protection testing.-

The RVR system shall be subjected to power, electromagnetic, and lightning protection testing using a contractor-developed, **Government-** approved procedure that incorporates the following guidelines:

- (a) Power input variation tests - The RVR system shall be subjected to maximum and minimum frequencies and voltages specified (102 and 138 volts, 59 and 63 Hz). No degradation of RVR system accuracy or performance shall occur **as** a result of under or overvoltage, low or high frequency, or combination thereof. The RVR system shall be evaluated for degradation of accuracy or performance for a minimum of 15 minutes at each extreme of voltage and frequency.
- (b) Momentary undervoltage tests - The RVR system shall be subjected to momentary undervoltage tests (i.e., below 102 V) and shall suffer no permanent damage to accuracy or performance when returned to normal operation voltages.
- (c) Abnormal surge voltage - The RVR system shall be subjected to an abnormal surge voltage of 148 V rms, 60 Hz for 1 second without generating erroneous outputs or suffering permanent damage to the RVR components. Upon application of **normal** rated voltage (120 V AC, 60 Hz), the RVR components shall be checked for accuracy and performance. As a minimum, the surge voltage shall be applied to the RVR system three times at 10-second intervals.
- (d) Transient susceptibility tests - The RVR system shall be tested for degradation of accuracy or performance due to powerline transients and signal line transients.
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matrix thus consists of three obstructions to vision by two extinction coefficient ranges. Each box in the matrix should have at least 100 samples (except as noted above). All data collected must be included, but the number of data samples falling outside the **16.5%** error levels (see Appendix I) must be normalized to the total number of samples under given conditions. In order to meet the accuracy test, no more than **10** percent of the data samples weighted over the entire test matrix may fall outside the **16.5-percent** error limit. Also, less than one percent shall show errors larger than a factor of two.

Test Matrix Weighting (Percent)

Extinction Coefficient (km^{-1})	Fog	Rain	Snow
15-50	20	6.7	6.7
50-350	20	6.7	6.7

1-4.4.2.4.3 System stability tests.- Tests shall be performed to demonstrate that the **RVR** system complies with the system stability.

1-4.4.3 Reliability and maintainability testing

1-4.4.3.1 Reliability development testing.- The contractor shall conduct reliability development testing to determine that the **RVR** system is in compliance with the requirements of **1-3.7**, as described in the Reliability Program Plan (**1-3.7.3.1**), and **1-4.3.3.2**.

Four systems shall be tested. Two shall be the systems subjected to the test procedures previously described in **1-4.4.2** (Design Qualification Tests). After satisfactory completion of these tests, **these units** shall be installed by the contractor in an operational location (to be determined by the Government). System performance will be continuously monitored and documented by the contractor for an operational test life of 6 months. (After 6 months of operation, these systems will undergo repeat testing of the design qualification test procedures (**1-4.3.3.1**)).

The remaining two systems subjected to reliability development testing shall be installed by the contractor at locations approved by the Government. The sites will be selected to subject the equipment to naturally occurring environmental extremes, as well as other conditions not readily stimulated in an environmental laboratory, such as bugs, birds, unstable soil, etc.

In addition to providing reliability data, the tests shall also serve other purposes. They will demonstrate proper **RVR** system operation (correct measurement and processing of data and products, operator and user interfaces, operation of the product dissemination devices, and

circuits) and the adequacy of the preventative maintenance procedures and intervals.

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- (a) Calibration/maintenance log.
- (b) Notes of any unusual effects upon performance (i.e., fog on lens/window, spider webs, etc.).
- (c) Failure description and restoration actions accomplished.
- (d) Time to correct each failure.

1-4.4.3.2 Maintainability demonstration.- A maintainability demonstration shall be conducted on one system to verify that the objectives of the maintainability program (1-3.7.4) have been met. Faults shall be randomly inserted into each component of the system and corrective maintenance times recorded. The individual(s) performing the maintenance will be an FAA electronics technician who has received indoctrination training in accordance with the contractor-developed operations and maintenance manual (1-3.5). Corrective repair times for each maintenance task shall consist of:

- (a) Time to sense or verify a failure.
- (b) Time to locate the fault.
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1-4.4.4.2.3 Burn-in test.- Each **RVR** system shall be subjected to a **48-hour** burn-in test (with temperature cycling of at least three times from specified minimum to maximum temperature) for verification of the manufacturing production process. In case of failure, the test shall be restarted after repair and shall be run until **48** continuous failure-free hours are accumulated. All failures shall be documented and analyzed, and appropriate corrective action shall be taken if failure trends are indicated.

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1-4.5.6 Instrument accuracy for other measurements.- Instruments for the measurement of quantities other than those specified in 1-4.5.2 to 1-4.5.5 shall have actual calibrated accuracies greater by a factor of three (as a minimum) with reference to the tolerance specified for each electrical quantity.

1-4.6 Availability of applicable documents.- The contractor shall make available for reference use by the FAA QRO a complete set of the applicable documents (specifications, publications, -drawings, etc., except those issued by the FAA) for the equipment being furnished on the contract.

1-4.7 Inspection of design and production status.- Upon request from the Government, the contractor shall make available for review at his plant, at any stage of the contract, all information regarding the design and production status of the equipment being manufactured under the contract. Such information shall be available at the plant regardless of- point of manufacture of the individual components. The contractor shall provide, for retention by the Government, two copies of each schematic and logic diagram on all electronic assemblies. The schematics shall be those in effect at the time the request is made; and all subsequent revisions shall be provided, if requested by the Government.

1-5. PREPARATION FOR DELIVERY

1-5.1 General preparation requirements.- The RVR subsystems, with the exception of sensors, shall not require disassembly prior to packaging. Preservation, packaging, and marking shall be in accordance with the requirements of MIL-E-17555G.

1-5.2 Preservation and packaging.- Each unit, complete with two sets of instruction books, shall be individually preserved and packaged in accordance with MIL-E-17555G, subparagraph 3.3.1, Level C.

2-3.2.1.2 Sensor resolution.-

100 feet from	100 to 800 feet
200 feet from	800 to 3,000 feet
500 feet from	3,000 to 6,000 feet

Paragraph 1-3.2.1.3 lists the reporting values and breakpoints for various light settings and backgrounds.

2-3.2.1.3 Accuracy.- The visibility sensor shall have an accuracy of: ± 10 percent (root-mean-square equivalent) of an RVR value. (Note that Paragraph 1-3.2.1.4 requires a system accuracy of less than ± 10 percent of the RVR value (RMSE)).

By "root-mean-square equivalent" is meant the equivalent 90-percent confidence level of a normal error distribution having a standard deviation of 10 percent. The 90 percent confidence level corresponds to 1.65 times the standard deviation or a 16.5 percent error. Thus the calculated RVR value must agree with a standard measurement to within 16.5 percent accuracy at least 90 percent of the time. It must also agree to within a factor of two 99 percent of the time. A fractional error in extinction coefficient translates into a fractional error in RVR that is equal to or somewhat smaller. In order to meet the RVR accuracy requirement, the sensor will be required to meet the more stringent requirement of applying the 90-percent and 99-percent confidence levels to extinction coefficient errors rather than RVR errors.

2-3.2.2 Background sensitivity.- Measurements from the visibility sensor shall not be affected by sunlight nor by rapid changes (i.e., one minute) in background light.

2-3.2.3 Calibration.- A method of calibration traceable to an FM transmissometer standard must be provided. Instruments which are not transmissometers must be supplied with a calibration by which their response can be checked. For all sensors, these calibrations must be included: zero signal, mid-range signal and near maximum. The purpose of the mid-range calibration is to check the linearity of the sensor.

2-3.2.3.1 Sensor stability.- The sensor stability in a 90-day interval shall not cause an RVR error of more than 10 percent for the most sensitive reporting value.

2-3.2.4 Scattered Light Error in Transmissometers.- A very important consideration in the accuracy of a transmissometer measurement is the extent to which it measures the regular transmittance of the atmosphere and is not influenced by scattered light, that would normally be received in the absence of the scattering medium, and which constitutes an error in the measurement.

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- Range
- Accuracy
- Background sensitivity
- Calibration stability
- Scattered light error, etc.

(c) Sensor monitoring test

These tests shall be performed in addition to those given in part 1-4 of this specification.

2-4.2.1 Environmental stress screening (ESS). - The purpose of these tests is for the early identification of failures of parts, subassemblies, and complete units due to weak parts, workmanship defects, and other nonconformance anomalies. During ESS, the sensor shall be cycled through its operational modes in accordance with the test procedures of FAA-G-2100, paragraph 4-11, while simultaneously being subjected to the environmental service conditions of 2-4.2.2.

2-4.2.2 Environmental service conditions. - Each RVR sensor furnished by the contractor shall be installed at airports for continuous and unattended operation outdoors. The components shall withstand and operate without damage or degradation of performance during shipment, storage, and operation in accordance with the requirements of this specification when subjected to all combinations of environmental, mechanical, and electrical service conditions within the limitations of the following:

2-4.2.2.1 Natural environment. - The natural environmental service conditions are those designated as environment III in accordance with FAA-G-2100c, paragraph 3.2.15.

2-4.2.2.1.1 Rain. - Exposure to rain in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 506.1.

2-4.2.2.1.2 Salt fog. - Exposure to salt fog in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 509.1.

2-4.2.2.1.3 Dust. - Exposure to dust in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 510.1.

2-4.2.2.1.4 Fungus. - Exposure to fungus in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 508.1.

2-4.2.2.2 Induced Environment. - The induced environmental service conditions are those as specified herein.

2-4.2.2.2.1 Electromagnetic interference. - Exposure to electromagnetic emissions (see paragraph 1-3.3.3.6).

2-4.2.2.2.2 Acoustical interference. - Exposure to acoustic noise in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 515.2.

2-4.2.2.2.3 Visible light interference. - Exposure to solar radiation (sunshine) in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 505.1.

2-4.2.2.3 Mechanical.- The equipment shall withstand vibration and shock in accordance with MIL-STD-810c, Method 514.2 and Method 516.2.

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3-1.1 Purpose.- This part establishes the performance, design, and test requirements for the data processing unit (DPU) of the RVR system. The general requirements for the RVR system contained in part 1 form a part of this specification.

3-2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

3-2.1 General.- The applicable documents for part 3 are contained in part 1, 1-2.

3-3. REQUIREMENTS

3-3.1 General.- The main functions of the DPU are data acceptance, data processing, and product dissemination to the CPU. The DPU accepts data inputs, performs various data processing functions, implements the RVR algorithm, and prepares DPU products for dissemination. The DPU shall be a plug-in module of the CPU. The DPU software shall include the algorithms for data reduction, a DPU monitor program, diagnostics, and appropriate routines for execution of the various DPU functions. DPU

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3-3.2.1.1 Visibility sensor.- The DPU shall accept a serial ASCII signal from the remote data collection interface (RDCI) unit for the visibility sensor. The DPU shall process the input from only one visibility sensor.

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3-3.2.1.3 Runway light intensity monitor.- The DPU shall accept a serial ASCII signal from the remote data collection interface (RDCI) unit for the runway light intensity monitor.

3-3.2.1.4 Central processing unit.- The DPU shall accept a signal from the central processing unit.

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the DPU. The measurement shall always be performed when power is initially applied to the DPU. The measurement shall be performed on each transition of the ambient illumination level. Provision shall be made to visually indicate at the central maintenance display/recorder and each remote display that the measurement is in progress. The measurement shall take 1 minute or less. This applies only to those sensors that are sensitive to background changes.

3-3.2.2.3 DPU output.- The DPU shall provide an output to the central processing unit (CPU).

3-3.2.3 DPU products.- The DPU shall generate the following information.

- (a) Appropriate runway (e.g., RWY 32L)
- (b) RVR location (e.g., touchdown, midpoint, rollout)
- (c) RVR value (e.g., 1800)
- (d) Raw visibility sensor data
- (e) Ambient light (e.g., bright day, day, twilight, night)
- (f) Runway light intensity (e.g., step 0-2, 3, 4, or 5)
- (g) Remote maintenance monitoring status as follows:
 - (1) Visibility sensor lamp operating time
 - (2) Visibility calibration verification
 - (3) Cable/sensor failure

3-3.2.4 Product dissemination.- The DPU shall output its various products via the interface ports described in 3-3.2.5.1.

3-3.2.4.1 Automatic dissemination.- The DPU output shall be routed automatically to those output ports that feed equipment with a receive-only capability and by command to the CPU.

3-3.2.5 Hardware.- In order to accomplish the above functions, the DPU shall satisfy the following hardware requirements:

3-3.2.5.1 Interface ports.- Interface ports shall be asynchronous serial EIA-RS-449/232C* compatible balanced interface ports. The product format shall be the same ASCII format for all output ports. Where differing display formats are required, the display shall be programmed to reformat the data.

- (a) Data input

1 input from CPU

3 inputs from **RDCI** (serial ASCII)
2 spares (serial ASCII)

(b) Data output

1 output for operations display units (one **CMT/R**, up to 6 tower cab, and as many as **20 TRACON** displays)

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3-3.2.5.2 Memory.— For future growth, the **DPU** will contain **50** percent more memory than necessary to accomplish the requirements of this specification. The **DPU** shall contain three types of memory applications:

- (a) The EPROM shall contain all **DPU** programs, default system parameters, algorithm constants, and the software version number.
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The following response times shall be achieved;

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3-4.1 DPU tests.- Tests of the **DPU** shall be performed in three stages.

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- (b) Analog data sets (or digital data sets, if sensor output is digital) corresponding to the digital data above shall be input to **RDCI** and run at ambient and extreme environments to verify accurate and correct operation of the data acquisition subsystem when connected to the **DPU**.
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4-3.2.2 Coded output.- The output of the ambient light sensor shall be a coded signal with a unique output corresponding to each level of ambient light.

4-3.2.3 Spectral response.- The overall spectral response shall approximate that of the human eye.

4-3.2.4 Obstruction.- The sensor shall be capable of preventing the obstruction of any part of the field of view due to ice, snow, or frost accumulation.

4-3.2.5 Environmental service conditions.- The **ALS** shall be designed for continuous, unattended operation in the environmental service condition as specified in 1-3.2.3.2.

4-3.2.6 Accuracy.- The accuracy of the **ALS** must be such as to insure the accuracy of the system in accordance with 1-3.2.1.4.

4-3.2.7 Remote maintenance monitoring.- The **ALS** shall include signal outputs to monitor the following parameters:

* (a) Calibration verification.

(b) Cable/sensor fail alarm,

4-3.2.8 Calibration.- The calibration of the **ALS** shall be accomplished with the use of a calibrated photometer to measure the sky brightness. Certification of compliance and certification data for the calibrated photometer shall be provided by the contractor/manufacturer.

4-3.2.8.1 Stability.- The **ALS** shall remain stable within the specified system accuracy, 1-3.2.1.3, for a minimum of 90 days.

4-4. PERFORMANCE TESTS

4-4.1 ALS test.- The contractor shall develop the test plan and procedures to demonstrate that the **ALS** operates in accordance with the requirements of 4-3.2.6.

PART 5 - RUNWAY LIGHT INTENSITY MONITOR5-1. SCOPE

5-1.1 Purpose.- This part establishes the performance, design, and test requirements for the runway light intensity monitor (RLIM) of the RVR system. The general requirements for the RVR system contained in part 1 form a part of this specification.

5-2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

5-2.1 General.- The applicable documents for part 5 are contained in part 1, paragraph 1-2.

5-3. REQUIREMENTS

5-3.1 General.- The RLIM shall monitor the runway lighting system which includes both the centerline lighting system and the edge lighting system, select one of five brightness levels for each system, and provide a coded output signal to the DPU for each lighting system (centerline, edge).

5-3.1.1 Equipment to be furnished by the contractor.- The contractor shall provide the equipment, including power supplies, necessary to monitor the centerline lighting system and the edge lighting system,

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5-3.2.1 Stepless brightness control.- The RLIM shall be capable of sensing either **voltage** or switch position to gather data. Where a "stepless brightness" control is used to control the runway lighting system, the RLIM shall be able to distinguish and select one of the following ranges.

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5	10,000 Candelas	116 - 122
4	2,000 Candelas	89 - 100
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2*	0 Candelas	57 - 67
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6-2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

6-2.1 General.- The applicable documents for part 6 are contained in part 1, paragraph 1-2.

6-3. REQUIREMENTS

6-3.1 General.- The contractor shall provide the two basic types of displays depending upon ambient light conditions to be used under receive-only and input- output conditions. The displays shall be capable of receiving the incoming serial data stream, performing the required error checks, and formatting the data for display.

The contractor shall provide the following equipment as specified in the contract:

- (a) Display for normal light conditions (**75 to 100 ft** candles) - For use by maintenance technicians and general users. Normal light conditions are defined as those locations having normal room light conditions without space restrictions.
- (b) Display for high (up to **10,000 ft** candles) or low (below **50 ft** candles) ambient light conditions -
 - (1) Tower cab display - A display with a special anti-glare treatment of the front (viewing) surface, normally installed in an air traffic control tower.
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440 nm	.75 absolute	
450 nm	.5 absolute	
470 nm	.3 absolute	
500-600 nm	.4 absolute	
630 nm	.25 absolute	
680 nm	.5 absolute	
700 nm	.75 absolute	
450-650 nm		.8 absolute
425-700 nm		.5 absolute
500-620 nm		.5 average

b Antireflective coating durability - The coating shall be capable of withstanding each of the following conditions:

- 1 Continuous exposure for 24 hours in an atmosphere of 120° F and 90 percent \pm 5 percent relative humidity without evidence of deterioration,
- 2 The "Scotch tape" test without evidence of deterioration. Apply a strip of 1-inch wide tape, 3M #250, or equivalent, pressed down firmly by hand. With removal of the tape, there shall be no evidence of deterioration.

(b) Multiple data formats are required to present RVR information.

(c) To alert users' when an RVR value received from the DPU is below a threshold value preset by the user or a maintenance malfunction:

- (1) It shall contain an audible alarm of variable intensity, to include an "on/mute" capability.
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6-3.2.2.1 Type of display.- The character size shall be approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ inch wide and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch high with 40 characters to the line and 12 lines displayed at any one time,

6-3.2.2.2 Panel size.- The panel containing the indicators, power on switch, and brightness control shall not exceed 6 inches high, 9 inches wide, and 6 inches deep. The panel shall be designed to be mounted through the front of a display console surface and secured.

6-3.2.2.3 Power supply.- The power supply for the display may be incorporated into the display or may be a separate unit attached by locking a connector to the display. If separate, AC power shall route from the mains to the display power switch and then to the power supply unit. It shall be DC overvoltage and overcurrent protected and shall be input fused. It shall be attached by a cable of approximately 6 feet to the display unit and shall properly provide regulated voltages and current as required. It will normally be installed in the TRACON consoles.

6-3.2.2.4 Controls.- The TRACON display (6-3.2.2) shall contain an on/off pushbutton switch which shall control AC power to the power supply. -Panel markings (e.g., control settings) shall be illuminated by a operator adjustable intensity control. An operator-adjustable brightness control shall be provided to vary the brightness of the indicators from 100 percent to 5 percent of brilliance. The display shall allow the operator to manually select 3 of 12 DPU outputs to be simultaneously displayed. For each RVR displayed, the display shall allow the operator to manually select an RVR alarm threshold.

6-3.2.2.5 Interface/addressing.- The TRACON display shall be addressable by up to 12 DPUs. The display shall contain interfacing electronics to permit data transfer between the DPU and the display unit. The display shall be capable of accepting data from the DPU at least once every 10 seconds. An RS-232C/RS-449 interface shall be provided.

6.3.2.3 Tower cab display.- The tower cab display shall be a display with an anti-glare treatment of the front (viewing) surface. The general requirements of this display are the same as those identified for the TRACON display, 6-3.2.2.

6-4. PERFORMANCE TESTS

6-4.1 Display test.- Tests of the displays shall be performed as follows:

- (a) Digital data sets supplied by the contractor shall be input to the display and run at ambient, and the environmental conditions specified in 1-3.2.3.2 to verify accurate and correct operation of the algorithms. Fixed and variable data sets shall be provided to exercise the display over the full range of possible sensor inputs and shall include various overrange and abruptly changing data to check the parameter quality control routines. Smaller data subsets shall be run with the display operating in extreme environmental conditions (Part 1, 1-3.2.3.2).

6-3.2.2.1 Type of display.- The character size shall be approximately $\frac{3}{8}$ inch wide and $\frac{1}{2}$ inch high with 40 characters to the line and 12 lines displayed at any one time,

6-3.2.2.2 Panel size.- The panel containing the indicators, power on switch, and brightness control shall not exceed 6 inches high, 9 inches wide, and 6 inches deep. The panel shall be designed to be mounted through the front of a display console surface and secured.

6-3.2.2.3 Power supply.- The power supply for the display may be incorporated into the display or may be a separate unit attached by locking a connector to the display. If separate, AC power shall route from the mains to the display power switch and then to the power supply unit. It shall be DC overvoltage and overcurrent protected and shall be input fused. It shall be attached by a cable of approximately 6 feet to the display unit and shall properly provide regulated voltages and current as required. It will normally be installed in the TRACON consoles.

6-3.2.2.4 Controls.- The TRACON display (6-3.2.2) shall contain an on/off pushbutton switch which shall control AC power to the power supply. -Panel markings (e.g., control settings) shall be illuminated by a operator adjustable intensity control. An operator-adjustable brightness control shall be provided to vary the brightness of the indicators from 100 percent to 5 percent of brilliance. The display shall allow the operator to manually select 3 of 12 DPU outputs to be simultaneously displayed. For each RVR displayed, the display shall allow the operator to manually select an RVR alarm threshold.

6-3.2.2.5 Interface/addressing.- The TRACON display shall be addressable by up to 12 DPUs. The display shall contain interfacing electronics to permit data transfer between the DPU and the display unit. The display shall be capable of accepting data from the DPU at least once every 10 seconds. An RS-232C/RS-449 interface shall be provided.

6.3.2.3 Tower cab display.- The tower cab display shall be a display with an anti-glare treatment of the front (viewing) surface. The general requirements of this display are the same as those identified for the TRACON display, 6-3.2.2.

6-4. PERFORMANCE TESTS

6-4.1 Display test.- Tests of the displays shall be performed as follows:

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PART 7 - CENTRAL MAINTENANCE TERMINAL/RECORDER7-1. SCOPE

7-1.1 Purpose.- This specification defines the performance, configuration, and test requirements for the central maintenance terminal/recorder (**CMT/R**) used by an on-site operator (an observer or maintenance technician) to monitor the output and status of the system, edit, and/or modify system outputs, reconfigure the system, enter or change site-dependent parameters, receive system failure messages, and perform failure diagnostics.

7-2. APPLICABLE DOCUMENTS

7-2.1 General.- The applicable documents for part 7 are contained in part 1, paragraph 1-2.

7-3. REQUIREMENTS

7-3.1 General.- The **CMT/R** shall be configured as a "smart" terminal. It shall include a display (specified in part 6), microprocessor, keyboard, magnetic storage capability, and any necessary **RVR** system processing interfaces. The **CMT/R** shall enable an on-site operator to perform the following functions:

- (a) Monitor the output of the **RVR** system by displaying the CPU products on the **CMT/R** display.
- (b) Permit manual entries of system parameters and comments in the Remarks Section of the CPU products. In the case of a sensor failure or an incorrect CPU output, the operator shall have the capability to replace the incorrect parameter value with a "missing" symbol in the **RVR** text.
- (c) The **CMT/R** shall have the capability to locally set alarm (audio and video) thresholds for **RVR** values.
- (d) The operator shall be able to use the **CMT/R** to reconfigure the **RVR** system keyboard entries, such as deleting or enabling a sensor, changing the site-dependent **RVR** constants.
- (e) The operator shall be able to use the **CMT/R** to query the system in order to determine its status. The system shall be able to use the terminal for displaying all **RMM** parameters of any **RVR** subsystem or of the entire **RVR** system, depending on the requested data.

- (f) The CMT/R shall perform the on-site RMM functions. A failure message shall be displayed and the failure message printed. The operator shall be able to use the CMT/R keyboard to perform system diagnostics down to the subsystem level to determine the cause of the failure message.
- (g) The CMT/R shall store all data generated by the CPU on a storage medium. The CMT/R shall store a minimum of 15 days of data.

7-3.2 CMT/R performance characteristics,

7-3.2.1 RVR monitoring.- The CMT/R shall perform the system output monitoring function. At the request of an operator, the station shall display the current RVR output, maximum/minimum values measured by any RVR over a specific 10 minutes, the last hourly data, or the archived data.

When requesting archived data, it shall be possible to specify the time block in which data is requested, such as the last 12 or 24 hours or any time interval in the last 15 days. If the volume of data exceeds the capacity of the display's screen, it shall be paged or scrolled under operator control. The information shall be displayed in the same format required for the displays.

7-3.2.2 Manual data entry.- The CMT/R shall provide the capability for manually entering data into the system. The entry of data shall be facilitated by special keys on the CMT/R keyboard. The contractor shall propose to the FAA the procedures to implement the requirements of this section. FAA approval is required.

In order to insure against accidental activation of important keys such as the DELETE or ENTER keys, the entry procedure shall require two consecutive actions, such as after pressing the DELETE key, the system could prompt with "are you sure?" on the display requiring the operator to deliberately repeat his action.

7-3.2.3 Error detection.- The CPU processor shall check for incorrect entries by the operator, such as invalid runway designations, RVR identification, etc. Entry of incorrect data shall result in an error message on the display followed by text or a code indicating the reason for rejecting the data.

7-3.2.4 Security.- The CMT/R shall be designed to prevent unauthorized persons from entering data into the system. The system shall require the operator to enter a successive series of four codes in response to system queries prior to allowing him to proceed with the entry of data.

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Cable/Complete sensor failure

Sensor power supplies out of **spec**

Mechanical failure

Lamp failure

- (b) Sampling Rate - The sensor sampling rate shall be controlled by the **RDCI** controller and shall be adjusted to meet the data processing needs of each sensor.
- (c) Data Formatting - The **RDCI** shall combine the digitized analog and digital sensor output signals and other **RDCI** data into a single serial **1200/2400** baud data stream. The data format shall uniquely identify each data source.
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- (e) **RMM** - The **RDCI** shall monitor the outputs from all AC and DC power sources, the **RDCI** enclosure temperature, operation of fans and heaters (if any). The **RDCI** shall contain circuitry necessary to monitor the functions of the various sensors. The resulting analog and/or digital **RMM** signals shall be included in the **RDCI** serial output data.
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- (g) **EMI/RFI** Protection - The **RDCI** shall contain transient suppression devices on all input and output lines. The **RDCI** shall provide protection against **EMI/RFI** induced interference,
- (h) Data Transmission - The **RDCI** shall transmit the data to the **DPU** using a data protocol which shall enable the receiving unit to detect transmission errors. The **RDCI** shall contain any required modems. See **3-3.2.1.5** and **3-3.2.1.6** for additional data transmission **requirements**.

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RVR REPORTING VALUES
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100	150	256.50	291.70	326.91	170.94	206.14	241.34	120.57	155.78	190.98	99.68	134.88	170.08	69.43
200	250	140.49	161.61	182.74	89.15	110.28	131.40	58.94	80.06	101.18	46.40	67.52	88.64	58.06
300	350	94.04	109.13	124.22	67.37	72.46	87.55	35.79	50.88	65.96	27.18	41.92	57.01	27.18
400	450	69.48	81.22	92.95	40.95	52.69	64.43	24.17	35.91	47.64	21.14	28.94	40.67	21.14
500	550	54.45	64.05	73.66	31.12	40.72	50.32	17.38	26.98	36.58	17.30	21.28	30.88	17.30
600	650	44.98	63.11	61.23	25.24	33.36	41.49	14.64	21.74	29.86	14.64	16.92	25.04	14.64
700	750	38.61	45.65	52.69	21.60	28.54	35.58	12.69	18.47	25.51	12.69	14.29	21.33	12.69
800	900	31.73	37.59	43.46	17.47	23.33	29.20	10.57	14.94	20.81	10.57	11.46	17.32	10.57
1000	1100	25.16	20.96	34.76	13.49	18.29	23.09	8.65	11.42	16.22	8.65	8.65	13.37	8.45
1200	1300	20.45	24.51	28.57	10.57	14.63	18.70	7.32	8.82	12.89	7.32	7.32	10.47	7.32
1400	1500	17.09	20.61	24.13	8.54	12.06	15.58	6.34	7.02	10.54	6.34	6.34	8.45	6.34
1600	1700	14.60	17.71	20.81	7.05	10.16	13.26	5.60	5.71	8.82	5.60	5.60	6.97	5.60
1800	1900	12.68	15.46	18.24	5.92	8.70	11.48	5.01	5.01	7.61	5.01	5.01	5.86	5.01
2000	2100	11.16	13.67	16.19	5.05	7.56	10.08	4.53	4.53	6.48	4.63	4.53	4.99	4.59
2200	2300	9.93	12.22	14.52	4.35	6.64	8.94	4.14	4.14	5.66	4.14	4.14	4.29	4.14
2400	2500	8.92	11.03	13.14	3.81	5.89	8.01	3.81	3.81	4.98	3.81	3.81	3.81	3.81
2600	2700	8.07	10.02	11.98	3.52	5.27	7.23	3.52	3.52	4.43	3.52	3.52	3.52	3.52
2800	2900	7.35	9.17	10.99	3.28	4.74	6.57	3.28	3.28	3.96	3.28	3.28	3.28	3.26
3000	3250	6.33	7.95	9.58	2.93	4.00	5.63	2.93	2.93	3.30	2.93	2.93	2.93	2.93
3500	3750	5.23	6.64	8.05	2.54	3.22	4.63	2.54	2.54	2.61	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54
4000	4250	4.43	5.67	6.91	2.24	2.65	3.89	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
4500	4750	3.81	4.92	6.03	2.00	2.22	3.33	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
5000	5250	3.32	4.32	5.33	1.81	1.88	2.88	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81
5500	5750	2.93	3.84	4.76	1.65	2.53	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65
6000	6250	2.60	3.45	4.29	1.52	1.52	2.24	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.32
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RVR REPORTING VALUES
BREAKPOINT EXTINCTION COEFFICIENT

REPORT- ING VALUE (Feet)	BREAK POINT (Feet)	LS3	NIGHT LS4	LS5	LS3	TWILIGHT LS4	LS5	LS3	DAY LS4	LS5	LS3	BRIGHTDAY LS4	LS5	LS2
100	150	256.50	291.70	326.91	170.94	206.14	241.34	120.57	155.78	190.98	99.68	134.88	170.08	69.43
200	250	140.49	161.61	182.74	89.15	110.28	131.40	58.94	80.06	101.18	46.40	67.52	88.64	58.06
300	350	94.04	109.13	124.22	67.37	72.46	87.55	35.79	50.88	65.96	27.18	41.92	57.01	27.18
400	450	69.48	81.22	92.95	40.95	52.69	64.43	24.17	35.91	47.64	21.14	28.94	40.67	21.14
500	550	54.45	64.05	73.66	31.12	40.72	50.32	17.38	26.98	36.58	17.30	21.28	30.88	17.30
600	650	44.98	63.11	61.23	25.24	33.36	41.49	14.64	21.74	29.86	14.64	16.92	25.04	14.64
700	750	38.61	45.65	52.69	21.60	28.54	35.58	12.69	18.47	25.51	12.69	14.29	21.33	12.69
800	900	31.73	37.59	43.46	17.47	23.33	29.20	10.57	14.94	20.81	10.57	11.46	17.32	10.57
1000	1100	25.16	20.96	34.76	13.49	18.29	23.09	8.65	11.42	16.22	8.65	8.65	13.37	8.45
1200	1300	20.45	24.51	28.57	10.57	14.63	18.70	7.32	8.82	12.89	7.32	7.32	10.47	7.32
1400	1500	17.09	20.61	24.13	8.54	12.06	15.58	6.34	7.02	10.54	6.34	6.34	8.45	6.34
1600	1700	14.60	17.71	20.81	7.05	10.16	13.26	5.60	5.71	8.82	5.60	5.60	6.97	5.60
1800	1900	12.68	15.46	18.24	5.92	8.70	11.48	5.01	5.01	7.61	5.01	5.01	5.86	5.01
2000	2100	11.16	13.67	16.19	5.05	7.56	10.08	4.53	4.53	6.48	4.63	4.53	4.99	4.59
2200	2300	9.93	12.22	14.52	4.35	6.64	8.94	4.14	4.14	5.66	4.14	4.14	4.29	4.14
2400	2500	8.92	11.03	13.14	3.81	5.89	8.01	3.81	3.81	4.98	3.81	3.81	3.81	3.81
2600	2700	8.07	10.02	11.98	3.52	5.27	7.23	3.52	3.52	4.43	3.52	3.52	3.52	3.52
2800	2900	7.35	9.17	10.99	3.28	4.74	6.57	3.28	3.28	3.96	3.28	3.28	3.28	3.26
3000	3250	6.33	7.95	9.58	2.93	4.00	5.63	2.93	2.93	3.30	2.93	2.93	2.93	2.93
3500	3750	5.23	6.64	8.05	2.54	3.22	4.63	2.54	2.54	2.61	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54
4000	4250	4.43	5.67	6.91	2.24	2.65	3.89	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
4500	4750	3.81	4.92	6.03	2.00	2.22	3.33	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
5000	5250	3.32	4.32	5.33	1.81	1.88	2.88	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81
5500	5750	2.93	3.84	4.76	1.65	2.53	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65
6000	6250	2.60	3.45	4.29	1.52	1.52	2.24	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.32
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RVR REPORTING VALUES
BREAKPOINT EXTINCTION COEFFICIENT

REPORT- ING VALUE (Feet)	BREAK POINT (Feet)	LS3	NIGHT LS4	LS5	LS3	TWILIGHT LS4	LS5	LS3	DAY LS4	LS5	LS3	BRIGHTDAY LS4	LS5	LS2
100	150	256.50	291.70	326.91	170.94	206.14	241.34	120.57	155.78	190.98	99.68	134.88	170.08	69.43
200	250	140.49	161.61	182.74	89.15	110.28	131.40	58.94	80.06	101.18	46.40	67.52	88.64	58.06
300	350	94.04	109.13	124.22	67.37	72.46	87.55	35.79	50.88	65.96	27.18	41.92	57.01	27.18
400	450	69.48	81.22	92.95	40.95	52.69	64.43	24.17	35.91	47.64	21.14	28.94	40.67	21.14
500	550	54.45	64.05	73.66	31.12	40.72	50.32	17.38	26.98	36.58	17.30	21.28	30.88	17.30
600	650	44.98	63.11	61.23	25.24	33.36	41.49	14.64	21.74	29.86	14.64	16.92	25.04	14.64
700	750	38.61	45.65	52.69	21.60	28.54	35.58	12.69	18.47	25.51	12.69	14.29	21.33	12.69
800	900	31.73	37.59	43.46	17.47	23.33	29.20	10.57	14.94	20.81	10.57	11.46	17.32	10.57
1000	1100	25.16	20.96	34.76	13.49	18.29	23.09	8.65	11.42	16.22	8.65	8.65	13.37	8.45
1200	1300	20.45	24.51	28.57	10.57	14.63	18.70	7.32	8.82	12.89	7.32	7.32	10.47	7.32
1400	1500	17.09	20.61	24.13	8.54	12.06	15.58	6.34	7.02	10.54	6.34	6.34	8.45	6.34
1600	1700	14.60	17.71	20.81	7.05	10.16	13.26	5.60	5.71	8.82	5.60	5.60	6.97	5.60
1800	1900	12.68	15.46	18.24	5.92	8.70	11.48	5.01	5.01	7.61	5.01	5.01	5.86	5.01
2000	2100	11.16	13.67	16.19	5.05	7.56	10.08	4.53	4.53	6.48	4.63	4.53	4.99	4.59
2200	2300	9.93	12.22	14.52	4.35	6.64	8.94	4.14	4.14	5.66	4.14	4.14	4.29	4.14
2400	2500	8.92	11.03	13.14	3.81	5.89	8.01	3.81	3.81	4.98	3.81	3.81	3.81	3.81
2600	2700	8.07	10.02	11.98	3.52	5.27	7.23	3.52	3.52	4.43	3.52	3.52	3.52	3.52
2800	2900	7.35	9.17	10.99	3.28	4.74	6.57	3.28	3.28	3.96	3.28	3.28	3.28	3.26
3000	3250	6.33	7.95	9.58	2.93	4.00	5.63	2.93	2.93	3.30	2.93	2.93	2.93	2.93
3500	3750	5.23	6.64	8.05	2.54	3.22	4.63	2.54	2.54	2.61	2.54	2.54	2.54	2.54
4000	4250	4.43	5.67	6.91	2.24	2.65	3.89	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24	2.24
4500	4750	3.81	4.92	6.03	2.00	2.22	3.33	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
5000	5250	3.32	4.32	5.33	1.81	1.88	2.88	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81	1.81
5500	5750	2.93	3.84	4.76	1.65	2.53	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65
6000	6250	2.60	3.45	4.29	1.52	1.52	2.24	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.32
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